

11. Wrap whole fish or edible portion sample in aluminum foil with dull side to fish. Secure package with 2" masking tape by taping lengthwise around the package along aluminum foil seam. Each fish in a composite sample must be wrapped and labeled individually, unless otherwise indicated on the Fish Collection Assignment Sheet.
12. Label each package with the following information on the masking tape using a waterproof marker:
 - date
 - waterbody
 - species
 - sample id#
 - composite number (composite samples only)
13. Place each aluminum foil package in a separate clear plastic bag (1 quart or 1 gallon zip-lock bag, or large GLEC bag; depending on size). However, for composite samples more than one package can go in the same bag.
14. Label the plastic bag with the sample id# using a waterproof marker. If more than 1 plastic bag is necessary per sample (i.e. composite samples) mark each bag with the same sample id# and label 1 of 3, 2 of 3, etc.
15. Place all the bags from a given site id# in a large plastic bag (GLEC or other garbage bag) not to exceed 30 lbs. and label bag with site id# and waterbody. If more than 1 bag is required for a given site id#, also label the bags 1 of 3, 2 of 3, etc.
16. Samples should be kept on ice until they are placed in the "Processed Fish" freezers at Filley Street and recorded on the Freezer Log.
17. Clean all of the processing equipment and return it to its proper place. If processing at the Filley Street facility, rinse floors with diluted chlorine bleach.

Post Processing

Laboratory Analysis Request Forms (Attachment 11) should be filled out and turned into the FCMP Specialist along with the completed Field Data Sheets. The forms will be maintained in the FCMP site files.

Aquatic Toxicity Laboratory staff will be responsible for transferring the bags from the guts freezer to dumpster on the morning of garbage pick-up days (currently Tuesdays).

The FCMP specialist will coordinate delivery of the fish samples to the MDPH for analysis. Aquatic Toxicity Laboratory staff will assist in the delivery.

Approved: James Brown 9/13/99
Date